Courtroom Response Guide

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Role: Trustee, The CLEMENTS PRIVATE TRUST
Seal: DOMUS DE CLEMENTS

🧾 Scenario: "You still have to follow state law like everyone else."

With all due respect, I appear only as Trustee of a private ecclesiastical trust. This trust was lawfully recorded in the Tazewell County Recorder's Office in 2016 and is governed under private contract and trust law. I am not appearing in any personal or commercial capacity.

🧾 Scenario: "This looks like sovereign citizen stuff."

Respectfully, I am not a sovereign citizen. That term is a political label. I operate solely in my role as trustee under ecclesiastical and private law. I make no political claims, only legal ones based on standing, jurisdiction, and capacity.

🧾 Scenario: "We don't recognize this trust in Arkansas."

Recognition is not required. The trust was lawfully formed and unrebutted since 2016. Trust law operates under contract law and ecclesiastical law, which are universal and binding unless lawfully rebutted. I am here under special appearance only to clarify jurisdiction, not to request recognition.

🧾 Scenario: "If you're driving on public roads, you're under our law."

This was not a commercial act. I was traveling in private capacity, in a private conveyance, with cruise control engaged. No contract was formed nor violated. I've reserved my rights under UCC 1-308 on all identification and filings.

🧾 Scenario: "You must enter a plea: guilty or not guilty."

I respectfully decline to plead under statutory jurisdiction. I'm appearing only as Trustee of The CLEMENTS PRIVATE TRUST by special appearance. I do not consent to a commercial plea under maritime law. I've submitted affidavits and notices rebutting all presumptions of jurisdiction.

🧾 Scenario: "We don't accept this paperwork."

Under court rules and administrative law, I have the right to enter evidence into the record. I'm providing this under affidavit, notarized or sealed by ecclesiastical authority. If you refuse to file it, please provide a written refusal with your name and authority stated.

⚖️ Scenario: "You still have a driver’s license – you consented."

That license includes a declaration under UCC 1-308 — all rights reserved without prejudice. That explicitly rebuts any presumption of full commercial contract or jurisdiction. No waiver was made. The reservation of rights nullifies assumed consent.

🧾 Scenario: "This isn’t how things are normally done."

I understand. But private ecclesiastical trusts are not governed by statutory processes. My filings are lawful, unrebutted, and supported by trust law maxims. I’m only requesting the law be followed as written — not interpreted.

🧑‍⚖️ Scenario: "You need an attorney to file this correctly."

No attorney is required when acting as trustee. In fact, it would be a breach of fiduciary duty to delegate trust representation to a third party. I am lawfully standing in proper persona as the authorized trustee of this private trust.

🚫 Scenario: "We’re just going to continue the case or enter judgment."

Any such act without clear jurisdiction is an administrative trespass against a private trust. I do not consent to commercial proceedings, and I demand the record reflect that I’ve rebutted jurisdiction lawfully and timely through affidavit and ecclesiastical standing.

Closing Statement (if needed)

For the record, this is a special appearance under threat, duress, and coercion. I reserve all rights without prejudice under UCC 1-308. I stand only as Trustee, not as surety, not as legal fiction, and not as a commercial entity.

🕰️ LEGAL TIMELINE CLARIFICATION:
• 2016 — Affidavit of Status, Rit of Mandamus, and DBA lawfully filed in Tazewell County, IL Recorder’s Office and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peoria.
• July 16, 2025 — Formal enactment of The Clements Private Trust, establishing full ecclesiastical trustee authority.
All actions taken post-enactment are under private trust law and ecclesiastical jurisdiction. Prior filings remain unrebutted.

☑ Ecclesiastical & Notary Seal Guidance

These documents are lawfully affirmed under ecclesiastical trust law and do not require a commercial notary stamp. However, the Trustee may affix a private ecclesiastical seal for solemn affirmation and jurisdictional clarity.

Recommended practice:
• Affix the ecclesiastical seal: DOMUS DE CLEMENTS
• Apply red thumbprint to signature area (optional)
• Sign as: Jonathan Daniel Clements, Trustee
• Include: 'All Rights Reserved. UCC 1-308.'

This fulfills lawful requirements for private standing under trust law and ecclesiastical jurisdiction.